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NO VOTE TODAY.

The Legislators Trying to Find
Out What They Will Do.

\$400,000 FIRE AT CHATTANOOGA

Gen. Sanguliy Returns to Cuba to
Fight.

A DEADLY PLAGUE IN DAVIES COUNTY.

Frankfort, April 3.—As to the probable result of the senatorial fight all is yet mere matter of speculation. No vote was taken today, except a formal vote of one for each candidate, no quorum being present. Whether the contest will be continued in the hands of Dr. Hunter next week or not is matter of grave doubt. There is no doubt that a number of Republicans who have supported him thus far as the caucus nominee now feel that the time has come when he should be dropped for some Republican on whom the party can unite. Whether such an one can be found is a question of some difficulty. It is probable it will be harder now to unite all the Republicans in favor of any man than it would have been at the beginning of the session, as more or less friction has been engendered.

REFINERIES TO RESUME.

All Philadelphia Factories to Run
With Full Force.

Philadelphia, April 3.—Owing to the strong condition of the refined sugar market, by Monday every refinery in the city will be running with a full force on regular time, which means employment for about 2,000 persons.

Nearly half a million tons of raw sugars are now en route by vessels from Germany, the East Indies, Egypt, South America and the West India islands.

A DEADLY PLAGUE.

Twelve Persons Die Within a
Week in Davies County.

Whitesville, April 3.—In the neighborhood in this county known as Redfield Creek a deadly disease prevails which baffles the skill of the best physicians and threatens to decimate the country. Within a week no less than twelve persons have died and the physicians are unable to diagnose the disease.

NO HOPE.

Higher Water for the Lower
Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., April 3.—The last hope is gone for saving the lowlands protected by the Mississippi levees. The waters continue to rise and reports indicate they will do so for days to come. Already a vast territory is inundated and with further breaks in the levee, which seem inevitable, it seems impossible that any portion of the lowlands should escape.

GEN. RIVERA NOT KILLED.

His Court-Martial Trial Now in
Progress.

Havana, April 3.—A report sent out from Key West to the effect that Gen. Rivera was shot at sunrise this morning is untrue. The trial by court-martial of Gen. Rivera is being proceeded with behind closed doors at San Cristobal.

THE OXFORDS WIN.

In the Boat Race With Cambridge
This Morning.

London, April 3.—In the annual boat race between Oxford and Cambridge colleges, which took place this morning on the Thames, the Oxford crew came off easy winners amidst the plaudits of thousands of spectators.

New Orleans in Good Shape.

New Orleans, April 2.—The river here is 17.5, being influenced somewhat by the tide. The levees protecting this city are reported in excellent condition, and arrangements have been made with the railroad companies for moving material and men promptly to any threatened point.

Louisiana Levee Broken.

Raceland, La., April 3.—During the night the levee in front of the Leblanc property, four miles below Lakeport, on the left bank of bayou Lafourche, gave way and is now 100 feet in width. The stream all along the bayou has been relaxed to a great extent, owing to the crevasse. The fall here has been one foot since its occurrence.

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GEN. JULIO SANGULIY

Takes His Life in His Hand and
Again Goes to Cuba.

Jacksonville, Fla., April 2.—Gen. Julio Sanguliy, who was secretly smuggled into this city by the Cuban Junta Wednesday night, succeeded in getting away tonight for Cuba. Since arriving here Gen. Sanguliy has kept from the public, and his presence even was denied by the Cuban leaders. This was because five Spanish spies had learned of Gen. Sanguliy's intended arrival here, and were on the lookout for him. He succeeded in evading them tonight, and was taken to depot by friends, where he boarded a train bound for Miami. It is understood that he will go to the western end of the island in Pinar Del Rio Province and assume charge of the army formerly commanded by Gen. Rivera, now a prisoner.

When it was rumored that Sanguliy was here, scores thronged about Cuban headquarters, but the leaders denied his presence and would give no information on the subject. This was because the Spanish spies were watching the headquarters, and following every one who might lead to the famous patriot's hiding place. The spies camped around different houses, where they thought he might be, but the Cubans stole a march by putting him in a room close to a well-known Spanish restaurant, where no spy would think of looking. He escaped late this evening, and took the fast train for Miami. It is stated that a swift-sailing yacht is there ready to take him over to the island.

A visit tonight to the places where Sanguliy was supposed to be concealed showed five contented Spanish spies lounging around the corners, watching a house where they believed him to be.

Sanguliy is reported to be in good health and spirits, and eager to strike a blow for Cuba Libre.

GREECE BOUND TO WIN.

On Declaration of War Blockade
Would End.

Athens, April 3.—Whether, in the event of war, the Powers will abstain from a blockade and leave the Greek fleet unfettered, is debated here with great interest. It is pointed out that, should war ensue, the Powers could not, as neutrals, hinder the operations of the Greek navy, which might bombard Smyrna and Salonica and capture the islands of the Aegean.

In case the Turks should be victorious on land, which is not expected at Athens, Greece would be more than compensated by victories of the sea. It is assumed, of course, that Europe would never permit the Turkish army to advance to Athens. Thus, whatever happens, Greece stands to win; at any rate, not to lose. These calculations would be completely overturned should the Powers compel the Greek fleet to remain inactive. But this course, it is contended here, would be tantamount to an offensive alliance with Turkey against Greece.

A number of Italian volunteers have arrived here from Crete, having safely run the blockade. They say there is no bread in the island except in the camp of Gen. Vassos, which is provisioned for three months. The insurgents are not organized, but consist of bands of armed peasants, who leave their homes for a day or two during active operations.

SURPRISED BY A FILIBUSTER.

Replied With a Shot and Disabled
a Spanish Gunboat.

Jacksonville, Fla., April 3.—Advices from Havana state that a telegram has been received there from Trinidad stating that the captain of the Spanish gunboat Portos states that his vessel was fired on by filibustering steamer in the southwest coast last week. He sighted the vessel near land, and shortly afterward discovered it was landing supplies, a large body of Cubans being disembarked on the beach. Steaming within range, he began firing at the filibuster, when, to his surprise, she replied briskly with two guns. A chance shot from the filibustering steamer disabled one of his steam drums and his vessel lay helpless on the water for nearly half a day. The filibustering steamer, noticing the fact, leisurely landed her cargo and then steamed out of the harbor easterly, making a long detour so as to escape coming near Cuba.

The Spanish officials are wrath over the report, and an investigation has been ordered.

Water Notice.

Patrons of the Water Company are reminded that rents for this quarter were due April 1st. Those who intend to renew their rents should do so by the 15th, as all premises in arrears after that date will be shut off.

That 25c molasses at Dulane's is a corker. 128 Court street. 29c.



VIEW IN THE FLOODED DISTRICTS OF THE SOUTH.
STEAMER FROM MEMPHIS GOING TO MAHON, ARK., 12 MILES INLAND.

WORSE AND STILL WORSE

The Flood Situation in the
South Land Grows.

LEEVE BREAKS CONTINUE.

St. Francis Now Threatens Hel-
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JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, ALARMED

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The Missouri Pacific and Cotton Belt have rushed railroad after railroad of sacked sand into the beleaguered city and still stand ready to help the Helena people. The railroads have rendered great assistance to the levee boards. The Illinois Central, Missouri Pacific and Cotton Belt railways have devoted all their great forces to work of saving the country, and that without charge.

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The calls for assistance from numerous points along the river are becoming more and more frequent at the headquarters of the relief committee in Memphis. The committee is in receipt of information to the effect that there are some fifteen or twenty white people, principally women and children, in great distress at a point near St. Clair's Landing, about fifteen miles up the river, which is some six miles from Mound City. These people are located in houses, the lower floors of which are overflowed, and they have no food and no means of obtaining it. Arrangements were made to send supplies.

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WAS IT MURDER?

A Recent Tragedy Recalled to
Mind.

CREMATION AT ANTIOCH CHURCH

It is Now Thought That the Un-
known Victim's Identity is
Disclosed.

BELIEVED TO BE JACOB KEIPER.

The mystery that envelops the terrible death of an unknown man in Antioch church, near Florence Station, a few weeks ago, on a Saturday night, may yet be dispelled. It is now thought that the identity of the man has been discovered, and interested persons are busily working on the case.

The supposed name of the man is Jacob Keiper, an old German farm hand who was expected at the farm of Henry Kertz, a son of Mr. Jacob Kertz, of 317 South Fifth street, this city. This old man, if the poor fellow were he, had for years worked on Jacob May's farm, near Nashville, Ill. Years ago he in some manner bound himself to May to pay off an obligation of some sort, and in time is said to have become virtually a slave, and was not permitted even to write to any of his relatives, who soon almost forgot him.

A few months ago his debt was paid in full, and he left. He had previously signified an intention of coming to this county to work for Mr. Kertz, a son-in-law of his uncle, of whom he had heard last summer through a young man of Illinois who, while making a bicyclic tour of this locality, stopped over with Mr. Kertz.

It has been several weeks since he left Nashville, and he departed on foot. No one knows anything of his route after he left there, but he had for several days been expected by Mr. Kertz.

This old German, who was illiterate and very simple in his manners, had his ears pierced, and wore small gold ear-rings. Two or three fingers on one of his hands were cut off years ago in a threshing machine.

The pierced ears and the missing fingers correspond precisely with the blackened corpse found in the little church. The only difference was that the corpse had no ear-rings. But Keiper may have disposed of these while on his tramp, or he may have been robbed of them. Who knows?

The most startling feature of the case, however, is that those who are investigating it believe the inoffensive old man was murdered.

Any of the residents of Florence station who were inside the church the morning after the ghastly discovery was made in the slowly burning structure will attest the fact that there were evidence of a struggle, there was blood on the floor, and the distorted remains, although burned on some portions until they were entirely unrecognizable, were in a corner of the church several feet from the fire.

Then two tramps were seen going away early that Sunday morning just about the time the church was discovered to be on fire, and one man and his wife who live near the church, now have an indistinct remembrance of hearing cries some time before day.

As to the appearance of the ancient German, this is given by the gentleman who gave him a quilt and saw him before he went in to be cremated. The description tallies exactly with that of Keiper, the only thing that cannot be reconciled is that the tramp informed the gentleman when he asked for the quilt that he was bent on reaching New Orleans, when Keiper's destination was Florence Station. He may have given New Orleans, however, to make his case more appealing.

The age, almost unintelligible German accent, pierced ears, amputated fingers and locality, however, all indicate strongly that the unfortunate wretch burned in the little church was Keiper, whether he was first murdered or not.

In regard to his having been murdered, no motive has yet been found. The old man may have possessed money he had hoarded, by saving a pittance now and then, and this may have impelled envious companions to take his life and attempt to conceal

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Nashville, April 3.—The steamer R. T. Cole, with a valuable cargo, sank this morning at Hunter's point, and is doubtless with her cargo a total loss. Three roustabouts are known to have been drowned and one other is reported drowned.

Mr. Schaad, the retiring secretary, left at noon today, and Mr. Workman, the new general secretary, comes to take his place.

MARKETS.

(Reported Daily by Lary Grain Company.)

Chicago, Ill., April 3.—May wheat opened at 71 1/2, closed at 70 1/2.

May corn opened at 21 1/2, closed at 21 1/2.

May oats opened at 17 1/2, closed at 17 1/2.

May pork opened at \$8.47 and closed at \$8.33.

May lard opened at \$1.22 and closed at \$1.17.

May ribs opened at \$4.60 and closed at \$4.57.

May cotton opened at \$7.04 and closed at \$7.07-8.00.

N. W. receipts, 256 cars.

The reliable blood medium has removed to 535 South Sixth street. Readings 25 and 50 cents. 242

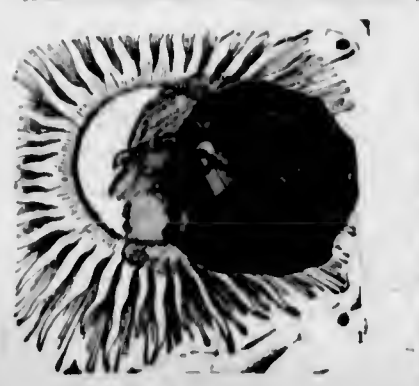
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